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Inmate Death at FCI Edgefield

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Tuesday, January 5, 2021, inmate Robert Horton tested positive for COVID-19 at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Edgefield in Edgefield, South Carolina, and was immediately placed in isolation. Subsequently, on the same day, he was transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation due to decreased oxygen saturation and dehydration. On Thursday, January 14, 2021, his condition declined and he was placed on a ventilator. On Tuesday, January 26, 2021, Mr. Horton, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by hospital staff.

Mr. Horton was a 52-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of North Carolina to a 188-month sentence for a Supervised Release Violation of Conspiracy to Possession with Intent to Distribute a Quantity of Cocaine and Cocaine Base. He had been in custody at FCI Edgefield since June 18, 2020.

FCI Edgefield is a medium security facility that currently houses 1,143 male offenders.

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